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OKOLONA, MISS., DEC. 24, 1902.

Christmas Offerings

Some of the Nice Things the Business People of Okolona are Offering the Holiday Trade this Season.

Solid gold baby rings, from 50 cents up at Russell's.

Finest line of dolls in the city at Hall & Lyles, and they are cheap, too.

Special prices on watches for the holidays at Russell's Jewelry store.

Leave your order early for a Christmas turkey at Crighton's meat market.

Nearly anything you could wish for as a Christmas present at Hall & Lyles.

Crighton's meat market will sell you fresh eggs now and always has them.

Watches and Jewelry repaired in a first-class manner by Russell, the Jeweler.

Comb and brush sets in sterling silver, ebony and all the brightest mounting at Hall & Lyles.

Turkey dressed ready for the oven for Christmas at Crighton's meat market.

Leave your orders at the Model Bakery early for fruit cakes for Christmas.

The Eldridge sewing machines at Russell's. Special cut prices for the holidays.

All kinds of toilet sets, fancy goods, books and game boards and cards at Hall & Lyles.

Go to Chandler's and buy a sensible, useful Christmas present, if you are going to give one at all.

A full line of medallions, extra ordinary cheap for Christmas holidays at Hall & Lyles.

Order your Christmas Whiskies and Brandies from J. H. Woolley, Cherryville, N. C. See ad. on page 2.

Tericoats, handsome and durable, the prettiest parlor ornament in the market, at Hall & Lyles.

Medallions, oil paintings, cromos and any kind of pictures you want for Christmas presents at K. W. Chandler & Co's.

A 50 cent cash purchase at Russell's jewelry store gives you ticket and a chance to get the premium Singer sewing machine.

Hall & Lyles have the prettiest line of Christmas goods ever displayed in Okolona. Don't buy presents till you look their offerings over.

Chandler's array of useful and handsome articles fit for Christmas presents is the nicest you will find anywhere to select from.

The Model Bakery will give special attention to all kinds of nice things for the Christmas holidays, pies, cakes and everything baked daily.

You can save time, money and worry by ordering your cakes, pies and all kinds of culinary supplies for the Christmas holidays at the Model Bakery. Fruit cakes a specialty.

Russell will give a \$60 high arm Singer sewing machine as a premium to the lucky patron whose name is first to be drawn. Every 50 cent cash purchase gives one a chance.

Remember you can find at Connor & Pearson's for Christmas holidays fine apples, oranges, coconuts, bananas, fresh oysters, blue cheese and a full line of fancy groceries and confectioneries.

R. W. Chandler & Co. offer the trade in search of useful as well as handsome Christmas presents, the finest line of fancy rockers, lounges, chiffoniers, dressers and everything that makes a home look pretty.

Remember that at the Vienna Bakery you will always find choice fresh bread, pies, cakes and everything that is delicious in the pastry line. Prices right and services prompt. Also fine line of fancy groceries and choice fruits. Fresh fish and oysters. Call and leave your orders.

I want to sell my residence on north Jefferson street. Will sell at a bargain for cash, if sold before January 1, 1903. Mrs. M. A. Hobson.

I have for sale at a bargain, a nice set of upholstered parlor furniture, as good as new, two Brussels carpets, some nice rugs, one drop head Standard sewing machine, one baby buggy, several nice rockers, several wicker sets, crockery ware, bedding, etc. Goods are at C. R. King's house in Okolona, where they can be seen. R. W. KING.

George J. Gould is one of numerous rich men belonging to the fire department of Lakewood, N. J. The other evening there was a fire in the home of Mrs. Robert F. Westcott and Fireman Gould failed to respond when the alarm was sounded. Because of this neglect charges were preferred against him. The millionaire pleaded that he had been kept at home by a cold, but this was not accepted as sufficient cause and he was fined \$1.

Take care of the stomach, and the health will take care of itself. If people only realized the soundness of that statement the majority might live to a good old age like Moses, "the eye undimmed, the natural force unabated." It is in the stomach that the blood is made. If it is from the stomach that nourishment is dispensed to nerve and muscle. If the stomach is "weak" it can't do its whole work for each part of the body. If it is diseased the disease will taint the nourishment which is distributed, and so spread disease throughout the body. It was the realization of the importance of the stomach as the very center of health and the common source of disease, which led Dr. Pierce to prepare his "Golden Medical Discovery." "Diseases which originate in the stomach must be cured through the stomach." The soundness of this theory is proved every day by cures of diseased organs, heart, liver, lungs, blood,—by the use of the "Discovery" which is solely and singly a medicine for the blood and organs of digestion and nutrition. It is a temperance medicine containing no alcohol, whiskey or other intoxicant.

The turkey season is in its height about now.

Nunnally's candies at Brown & Bearden's.

The statement is made that not a negro votes in Clay county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Steinberger and son were down for dinner Sunday.

If you bought the lad a drum, don't get nervous and howl if he beats it.

Goods sold by us engraved free. G. F. RICHARDS & CO.

Miss Pauline Frazee spent the first of the week with friends in West Point.

If you want to eat the best candies, buy Nunnally's at BROWN & BEARDEN'S.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowe, of Kansas City, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Rowe, near this city.

The finest candies you can put in your mouth—Nunnally's—at Brown & Bearden's.

Miss Maida Smith arrived home from Shebena Friday, and will remain until after the holidays.

Mr. Edwin Ezell, of the University of Oxford, is spending part of the holidays with his parents.

Miss Louie Cappleman has returned from a delightful visit of five weeks to relatives in Memphis.

Otto Meyer spent Sunday in Holly Springs, returning on the night train to be at home for business Monday morning.

Unless you are certain that you are properly registered, better look at Mr. Hamilton's notice to voters in this issue.

Mr. L. Frazee Cappleman, who is one of the traveling salesmen for the Van Fleet Drug Co., is at home for the holidays.

Go and see the fine Watches and Jewelry at G. F. Richards & Co's. Same building with Miss Alice Duke's Millinery store.

Miss Cora McDonald who is teaching at Jackson came home Saturday morning and will remain through the holiday season.

A few stores offering their goods at cost for cash quickly shows that all the people are not short of ready money. The ladies are always most active in taking advantage of such tempting offers.

The Flak & Snyder Street Fair people infused a good deal of life into our city all last week, despite the bad weather and the lateness of the season for outdoor amusements. These gentlemen certainly have the happy faculty of bringing together most excellent attractions for the public. Their free street exhibitions were as fine as can be seen anywhere, and every show within the tents was well worth the price of admission. The fact is that there were more good shows in Okolona last week than its people have ever enjoyed before, and the managers proved themselves in every way worthy of public confidence.

The Okolona public schools closed their first term of the current year Friday evening, and the pupils were given a holiday until Monday, January 6th, 1903. Prof. J. J. Huggins with his capable corps of assistants, is certainly pushing our public schools to a point of excellence second to none other in the state, and for this good work enjoys the kindest greetings of the entire community. The personnel of the instructors who are doing such good work this year is: Prof. J. J. Huggins, superintendent; Miss Bettie T. Lyon, 9th and 10th grades; Miss Maria Darden, 8th grade; Miss Inez Moore, 7th grade; Miss Kate Bodenhamer, 6th and 8th grades; Miss Julia Smith, 3rd and 4th grades; Miss Beattie Williams, 1st and 2nd grades.

This office is in receipt direct from the hands of the author an advance copy of a new book which is destined to find a hearty welcome into the intelligent homes of this country, not merely as a shelf ornament, but to be carefully read and seriously considered. Its title is "The Tempter of Eve, or The Criminality of Man's Life, Political and Religious Equality with the Negro, and the Amalgamation to which these Crimes Inevitably Lead." Charles Carroll, author of that wonderful work, "In the Image of God," which has staggered the thoughtful, reading world for the past two years, is the author. At a later date, after reading this new book, we shall, with pleasure, review it at length. A glance at its bright, lucid, clear, frank pages, however, warrants us in saying that no one who is interested in the retention of the purity of the white race will make a mistake in securing a copy of "The Tempter of Eve." Mr. Carroll is a Mississippian, and he knows what he is talking about.

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PROHIBITION VS. LOCAL OPTION.

Editorial in Vardaman's Greenwood Commonwealth.

HE evil of strong drink is the greatest curse of the age. It has brought more men in sorrow to the grave, blighted more promising lives, filled the heart with gloom, and adumbrated with the impenetrable clouds of despair more happy homes than all other causes and agencies combined. Its mission is destruction, the mephitic odors of death, the atmosphere of its being—wails of woe, devastation and desolation mark its pathway, while an eternity of anguish may be the ultimate end of its victims. As a therapeutic agent and for use in chemistry alcohol is useful, but as a beverage it is an unmitigated curse. I would that the world could see it that way, and shun the sparkling tempter. The call for a "prohibition convention" to be held in Jackson next February will not be wholly barren of good results. The purpose of that convention is an exalted one. Splendid men and consecrated women are at the head of the movement. Their only hope or ambition is to help their fellow creature.

The spirit which moves them is the highest form of altruism. I am in perfect sympathy with the ultimate results which they seek to obtain—Temperance. Some people deprecate the movement. I do not. I believe that every speech made in the interest of temperance and against the saloon will bear good fruit. More is due to discussion—pointing out pernicious effects of alcoholic liquors upon the human system, for the temperate habits of our people, than to prohibition in the various counties. The truth is, prohibition—the closing of the saloon—is worth very little unless there is a potential sentiment to back up the law. It is for that reason that I always favored local option. When the people of a county drive out the saloon, the same forces usually see to it that the "blind tiger" is looked after. There is one thing certain, unless the people of the county favor prohibition

SERVE THROUGH PROXIES.

Criminals in England Sometimes Have Substitutes to Endure Penalties for Them.

There are few things one man is not prepared to do for another, said a prison official to a London Tit-Bits writer, and going to prison for him is certainly not among those at which he draws a line. Why, it is not many days since, as you would read in the papers, after a man had been sentenced at a London police court for six months' imprisonment for a brutal assault, his brother besought the magistrate, with tears in his eyes, to be allowed to serve the sentence—an appeal which was, of course, refused. In this case the man who proposed to be his brother's proxy as a jailbird was probably actuated by the highest motives, although I am bound to admit that most of these prison substitutes have nothing more noble than money to inspire their self-sacrifice.

In another recent case a man who had been arrested on his own confession on a charge of house-breaking received quite a nominal sentence, as it was his first offense, and he professed penitence and a determination to reform. Before he had served a week of his sentence, however, he found prison life so little to his taste that he sought an interview with the governor and told him that the real culprit was not himself, but a "pal" of his. It appeared that the latter, finding that the police were uncomfortably hot on his track, offered the prisoner a certain sum of money if he would take his place and confess his guilt. He knew well that if he himself were caught, with his long list of previous convictions, he would not get off with less than from "seven or fourteen stretch," whereas his substitute, who had no such conviction recorded against him, would be much more leniently treated.

There are many cases, too, in which one convict personates another and gets his freedom long before he is entitled to it. Only a few weeks ago I noticed among the prisoners who were about to be liberated on the expiration of their sentence a man whose term, I thought, was far from having expired. I detained him so that the matter could be investigated, and the convict, finding the "game was up," confessed that he had changed places with another prisoner.

It is no uncommon thing for a man out on bail to escape punishment in this way. Last year a cashier who was charged with embezzlement was released on heavy bail. He used his freedom to such advantage that he procured a substitute so like himself in appearance that even his friends might have found it difficult to distinguish one from the other, and after installing him in his rooms and coaching him in all the facts of the case, he disappeared.

The proxy was duly tried and sentenced to a long term of penal servitude—much, no doubt, to his amazement—and it was only by an accident that he did not serve every day of it. As luck would have it, the real criminal, who was all the time lying low in Whitechapel, was run over and taken to a hospital in a dying condition. Here, probably overcome by remorse, he confessed his identity and his guilt, and before his death left a sworn statement declaring the entire innocence of the man who had taken his place.

ROASTING A TURKEY.

Something That Is Almost Universal Is Done Wrong, According to This Authority.

"Ninety-nine women out of every one hundred, ninety-nine cooks out of every one hundred will bake a turkey with the back to the pan," said a New Orleans man who keeps in touch with the kitchen, "states the New Orleans Times-Democrat, and this is a mistake. I said ninety-nine out of every one hundred. Rather should I have said that the mistake is almost universally made. But few cooks ever think of cooking the turkey the other way. There seems to be a demand for well-browned turkey breast. But in browning the breast they sacrifice the sweetness of this part of the fowl. The best way to prepare a turkey is to bake it with the breast down. I learned this lesson from Mrs. Begue, whose place down in the old quarter, near the French market, has become famed all over the country. She never thinks of baking a turkey with the breast up. The breast is turned to the bottom of the pan, and instead of being dry and tasteless when it is served is richly flavored and as sweet and juicy as one would care to have it. You see, all the fine flavoring of the turkey, the juice of the dressing and all the daintier touches flow down toward the breast of the fowl, and when the white meat is served you get the full benefit of every flavor added during the processes of preparing and baking the turkey, in addition to the distinctive taste of the fowl itself.

Inconvenient and awkward? Not at all. It is just as easy to cook a turkey in this way as in any other way, and the result is infinitely more satisfactory. It is no trouble to arrange the fowl in the pan; if you desire to place the fowl on the table before carving it you will find that it will look quite as well as it would if baked in the usual way, and certainly it will taste much better than it would if you baked the breast until it was dry and flavorless."

Married, at Mattson, Miss., December 15, 1902, Dr. E. J. Scott and Miss Ray Duke. The many friends of the bride in Okolona, where she has made her home since a child, unite in wishing the happy couple a long and happy life.

HALF OUR ILLS ARE CATARRH.

[Letters From Two Prominent Men.]

Congressman Dungan.

Congressman Irvine Dungan of Jackson, O., elected to the Fifty-second Congress as a Democrat, in a recent letter from Washington, D. C., says:

"I desire to join with my many friends in recommending your invaluable remedy, Peruna, to anyone in need of an invigorating tonic, and whose system is run down by catarrhal troubles. Peruna is a permanent and effective cure for catarrh and I would advise all who are afflicted with this disease to try this remarkable remedy."

Everybody is subject to catarrh. Peruna cures catarrh, acute or chronic, wherever located.

Hon. Thomas Gahan of Chicago, member of the National Committee of the Democratic party, writes as follows:

"I was afflicted with catarrh for fourteen years and though I tried many remedies and applied to several doctors I was not able to find a cure. I took Peruna for twenty-two weeks and am now entirely cured."

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be glad to give you his valuable advice free.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

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NON RESIDENT NOTICE.

The State of Mississippi, Chancery Court, Chickasaw County, In Vacation, 2nd District, Dec. 27th, 1902.

In the matter of the estate of Karl Sattler, deceased.

To Paulina Sattler, Elizabeth Sattler, Henry Sattler, and Karl Sattler, minors, whose postoffice is Tyndale, South Dakota.

You are commanded to appear before the Chancery court of the Second district of Chickasaw County in said state on the 27th day of December A. D. 1902, to defend the suit of Elizabeth Sattler, administratrix of said estate, on petition filed by her for allowance, by said court, of her final account, wherein you are defendants.

This the 1st day of December A. D. 1902. E. J. HALL, Clerk. By E. S. CLOFTON, D. C.

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In the matter of the estate of J. M. Cole, deceased.

To Edith Ashley, whose postoffice is Carbon Hill, Alabama.

You are commanded to appear before the Chancery court of the 2nd district of Chickasaw County in said state, on the 27th day of December A. D. 1902, to defend the suit in said court of Ira M. Cole, administrator of the estate of J. M. Cole, deceased, on petition to sell the lands of said estate to pay debts of said estate, wherein you are one of the defendants to said suit.

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THE U. S. Civil Service Commission reports that for the year ending June 30, 1902, there were 14,933 persons appointed from its registers. There was 4,692 more than was ever before appointed in a single year. Anyone wishing information about these positions can secure it free by writing for the Civil Service announcement of the Columbian Correspondence College, Washington, D. C. The Commission will hold examinations to secure young men and women for these places during March and April, at Meridian and Vicksburg. Many people do not know that these appointments are made without Political influence and that a large share of them are filled by those having only a common school education, but such is now the case.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. Hall & Lyles.

Now put away your holiday goods not sold, and save them for another display a year hence.

Blakeeslee Engine.

Gas and Gasoline Engine.

FOR Everybody, Everywhere.

The Ideal Power at Least Cost.

For Information apply to Blakeeslee Manufacturing Co., BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

REGISTRATION NOTICE.

Houston, Miss., Dec. 15, 1902.

To the voters of Chickasaw county: Under an act of the last legislature, all who desire to vote in primary election must be registered by the first day of April 1903. Later I will publish a list of appointments for the various precincts, that all may have an opportunity of registering in ample time to vote.

T. W. HAMILTON, Registrar.

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L. P. HALEY, Attorney-at-Law, Okolona, Miss.

IN MEMORIAM.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the All Wise Ruler of the Universe to remove from our midst our beloved brother, Samuel McCarley, who departed this life on the 11th day of December, 1902; and

WHEREAS, We realize in his demise a great loss to this, Eva Clare Lodge No. 5, K. of P., his family, and the community generally; therefore, be it

Resolved, First, That we will ever keep fresh in our memories his many virtues and lovable traits of character, and strive to emulate the same.

2nd, That the usual badge of mourning be worn by our membership.

3rd, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes, published in our city papers and furnished the family of our deceased brother.

Respectfully submitted, L. F. BARKIN, Chairman, L. P. HALEY, Committee, B. F. ELLIS, Secretary.

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